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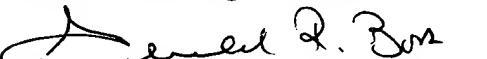
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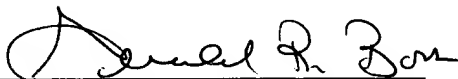
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7. United States Patent No. 5,048,835 to Gorman;
8. United States Patent No. 5,807,190 to Krumme et al.; and,
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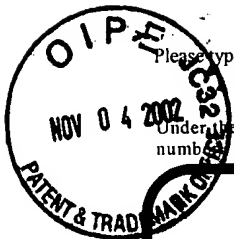
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